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1. JAPAN

MUCH PRESS ATTENTION GIVEN 7/8 ARREST TOKUJI WAKASA, 61-YR-OLD PRES ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS, ON PERJURY CHARGES/VIO-LATION FON EXCHANGE LAW (AP CSM, PHINQ, NYDN, SUN W/ PHOTO; MALCOLM, NYT; SAAR, WP). WAKASA CONSISTENTLY DENIED AL-LEGED 170,000 DOL KICKBACK FROM NIPPON'S PURCHASE 21 LOCK-HEED TRISTARS (WSJ). NADJI WATANABE, WAKASA'S DEPUTY/NIP-PON VP, HELD 7/9 ON SUSPICION PERJURY, BECOMING 6TH ANA OFFICIAL DETAINED IN SCANDAL (REUTER, TOKYO).

STOCK PRICES ON TOKYO EX PLUNGED 7/8 ON NEWS WAKASA'S ARREST; SOME ANALYSTS SAY SPECULATORS USED OCCASION AS EXCUSE DRIVE PRICES LOWER (WSJ).

FORMER UN AMB MOYNIHAN AT 7/7 NEWS CONFERENCE SAID UNCLASSIFIED

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US/W EUR/JAPAN SHOULD HALT AIR SERVICE TO NATIONS WHO COOPERATE WITH HIJACKERS/TERRORISTS; NOTED BETWEEN THEM, CONTROL 50 PCT WORLD'S AIRCRAFT (AP).

2. KOREA

SK POLICE HAVE QUIETLY RELEASED 18 CHRISTIAN CLERGYMEN ARRESTED LAST MONTH ON SUSPICION PRO-COMMUNISTS ACTIVITIES; ACCORDING CHURCH SOURCES, CLERGYMEN FREED ONLY AFTER SIGNING STATEMENT PLEDGING LOYALTY TO STATE, PROMISING NEVER AGAIN WORK AMONG SLUM DWELLERS (NYT SPEC; ALSO IN SUN).

FIVE YOSU YOUTHS ARRESTED FOR WEARING T-SHIRTS DECORATED WITH ENGLISH OBSCENITIES/NUDE FEMALE PICTURES. PETTY CRIME PUNISHMENT LAW ALLOWS UP TO 29-DAY JAIL SENTENCE (AP SEOUL 7/8).

3. CHINA

REUTER'S ROGERS, IN PEKING, REPORTS THAT FRIDAY, FOR FIRST TIME SINCE PRC WENT INTO MOURNING FOR CHU TEH, FOREIGNERS JOINED TRIBUTE TO "FATHER OF THE RED ARMY"; DIPLOMATS, STUDENTS, JOURNALISTS AND THOSE FEW WESTERNERS WITH HOMES IN COUNTRY SIGNED CONDOLENCE BOOK, STOOD FEW SECONDS BEFORE CHU'S ASHES. REPORTS PEKING MOURNING RESTRAINED COMPARED WITH PUBLIC DISPLAYS OF DISTRESS FOLLOWING CHOU'S DEATH; ON STREETS, NO SIGNS OF GRIEF, WITH ONLY FEW PEOPLE WEARING BLACK ARM-BANDS. PEOPLE'S DAILY PUBLISHED MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE FROM ABROAD, BUT SO FAR HAS NOT REPORTED CHU TRIBUTE FROM SOVIET.

PRAVDA THURSDAY DESCRIBED AS BLUFF PROSPECTS HELD OUT BY PRC FOR INCREASED OIL DELIVERIES TO JAPAN TO BALANCE GROWING SINO-JAPANESE TRADE. ACCORDING PRAVDA, TRADE BETWEEN THEM IS STAGNATING AND THEIR POLITICAL TALKS ON PROPOSED PEACE/FRIENDSHIP TREATY HAVE REACHED STALEMATE (REUTER, WP).

IN BRIEF LA STOPOVER EN ROUTE TO MONTREAL THURSDAY NIGHT, TAIWAN OLYMPIC TEAM'S LAWRENCE TING ACCUSED CANADA OF UNCLASSIFIED

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BREAKING OLYMPIC CMTE RULES BY INTRODUCING POLITICS INTO TEAM SELECTION; ALSO CAUTIONED GOC AGAINST HITLER-LIKE BEHAVIOR IN REFUSING ALLOW TAIWAN COMPETE AS ROC ENTRY (REUTER LA).

CSM RADIO REPORTS COMPROMISE BEING CONSIDERED WHEREBY CANADA WOULD PERMIT ENTRY TAIPEI TEAM COMPETING UNDER BANNER: "TAIWAN-ROC."

ACCORDING REUTER (MONTREAL), THREE MEMBERS TAIWAN TEAM SLIPPED QUIETLY INTO CANADA ON ROC PASSPORTS 10 DAYS AGO. GOC SPOKESMAN SAID THIS "NOT OF GREAT CONCERN TO US" (PHINQ). AP (MONTREAL) SAYS TEXTS OF LETTERS RELEASED BY IOC

SHOW PRC SPARKED CURRENT DISPUTE OVER TAIWAN ROLE IN MONTREAL GAMES. CITES IOC PRES KILLANIN SAYING THIS COULD COST PRC "LOT OF SYMPATHY," MAY "SET BACK THEIR PROSPECTS OF OLYMPIC RECOGNITION" (SUN, NYT, CHITRIB).

4. INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

SIXTEEN VIET REFUGEES REACH HK ON FISHING JUNK FROM DANANG (AP, WSTAR 7/8); TELL OFFICIALS HAD HEADED TO PHILS, BUT FORCED GO HK DUE BAD WEATHER (AFP, WP).

5. PHILIPPINES

DEFENSE 2 FIL NURSES CHARGED WITH DEATH 5 PATIENTS IN ANN ARBOR (MICH) HOSPITAL WILL COST 2-300,000 DOLS, ACCORDING LAWYER FERNANDEZ -- WHO IS RETIRED JUSTICE PHILS SUPREME COURT, VOLUNTEERED DEFEND THEM, IS RAISING FUNDS (AP MANILA 7/8).

USN SPOKESMAN SAYS UNABLE FIND ANY REPORT ON PHIL PRESS AGENCY CLAIM BOMB DROPPED BY USN PLANE DURING EXERCISE KILLED 4 FISHERMEN; ADDS INVESTIGATION CONTINUING (WP, AP, NYT).

GABONESE PRES BONGO ARRIVES MANILA FOR 4-DAY STATE VISIT THAT MARCOS SAYS ESTABLISHES BRIDGE BETWEEN AFRICA, ASIA (AFP, WP).
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SEC INVESTIGATES QUESTIONABLE PAYMENTS OF 329,320 DOLS MADE AFTER BENGUET CONSOLIDATED OF PHILS PURCHASED CONTROL BAHAMAS CASINO IN 1969. DEAL OKED BY MARCOS BEFORE WENT THRU (PENN, WSJ).

6. INDONESIA

GOI WILL FREE ABOUT 2500 POL PRISONERS THIS YR, ACCORDING INTERNAL SECURITY CHIEF, WHO SAYS ALL 37,000 POL PRISONERS WILL BE FREED/TRIED BY 1978. ADDS ALL POL PRISON CAMPS WILL SOON BE OPENED FOR INSPECTION BY AMNESTY INTL (MCDONALD, WP).

WITH LAUNCHING PALAPA SATELLITE(SCHEDULED 7/9), INDO FOR FIRST TIME WILL HAVE ABILITY LINK ITS 3000 ISLANDS. PROJECT COST ESTIMATED 230 MILLION DOLS (REUTER PHINQ, WP).

DELAYED REPORTS ON IRIAN JAYA QUAKES RAISE OFFICIAL DEATH TOLL TO OVER 9000 (AP SUN, NYT; REUTER, PHINQ;

UPI, NYDN; MCDONALD, WP). ESTIMATED 15,000 HOMELESS,

AWAITING EVACUATION FROM RUGGED MOUNTAIN AREA (MCDONALD).

7. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

AUSSIE EXPORTS/IMPORTS FOR YR ENDED JUNE 30 WERE HIGHEST ON RECORD (UPI, JOC). CHRYSLER AUSSIE SUBSIDIARY WILL BUILD 4-CYL ENGINE PLANT (WSJ).

NZ UNEMPLOYMENT REACHES HIGHEST TOTAL SINCE DEPRESSION. GONZ WILL BORROW FURTHER 32.75 MILLION NZ DOLS FROM SWISS BANKING SYNDICATE. IN CAMPAIGN, NEW GOVT ATTACKED LABOUR REGIME FOR O'SEAS BORROWING; NOW CLAIMS NEEDS CONTINUE SOME BORROWING TO BRIDGE GAP UNTIL ANTI-INFLATION MOVES BRING ECNOMY UNDER CONTROL (JOC).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

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WSTAR (7/8) PREVIEWS DEDICATION OF JAPANESE BICENTENNIAL GIFT BONSAI AT NATL ARBORETUM FRIDAY. SAYS MINIATURE TREES REFLECT SUBTLE ORIENTAL RESPONSE TO NATURE, REPRESENT EXERCISE OF HUMAN ARTISTRY WHICH EVEN NEWCOMER CAN APPRECIATE.

KEVIN WALLACE (SF CHRON 7/2) RELATES "LOW KEY" ACTIVITIES OF PM MIKI DURING SFO STOPOVER EN ROUTE TOKYO AFTER QUICK BUSINESS TRIP TO WASHINGTON. RODE BOAT AROUND BAY, HOSTED RECEPTION AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, AND VISITED 90 MEMBERS OF 1976 JAPANESE YOUTH GOODWILL MISSION CRUISE ON BOARD PASSENGER SHIP NIPPON-MARU THAT HAPPENED BE IN PORT AT SAME TIME.

ANDY ADAMS (SF CHRON 7/2) NOTES WARM WEATHER MEANS START "SEASON FOR HOT-RODDERS," WHO ALREADY KILLED NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER IN RIOT DURING RECENT KOBE FESTIVAL. SAYS POLICE MOBILIZING 10,000 MEN NATIONWIDE, EVERY WEEKEND, TO TRY KEEP BIKERS/HOT-RODDERS UNDER CONTROL THIS YEAR.

9. PHILIPPINES

MATHEWS (WP) IN MANILA NOTES CASE 2 FIL NURSES JAILED IN MICH ON MURDER CHARGE REMAINS ON FRONT-PAGE, IN EDITORIALS; FINDS REVEALS PHILS' LOVE-HATE FEELING FOR US. SAYS MANY FILS SMELL CONSPIRACY TO HIDE INEFFICIENCY HOSPITAL, DISCREDIT FOREIGN WORKERS. QUOTES EXAMPLES FROM LOCAL PRESS.

TAYLOR (BALTO N-A 7/7) APPLAUDS NEWS THAT MARCOS AGREES ALLOW US BASES REMAIN, DESPITE PHILS' DEMANDS FOR SOVEREIGNTY. CALLS BASES US' MOST IMPORTANT FE DEFENSE COMPLEX. REVIEWS HISTORY US PRESENCE IN PHILS, GOP PROB-

LEMS WITH INSURGENTS. PRAISES ROMULO AS US FRIEND.

10. MALAYSIA

ANDELMAN (NYT), IN IPOH, REPORTS FEAR COMMUNIST INSURGENCY HAS RESULTED IN SHIFTING NATL PRIORITIES, WIDE-SPREAD ARRESTS, EXTENSIVE MIL OPERATIONS IN JUNGLES WHICH HAVE SPILLED OVER INTO THAILAND, CAUSING DIPLOMATIC CONCERN. UNCLASSIFIED

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FRONTATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES. VISIT THROUGH NORTHERN PROVINCES CONFIRMED EXISTENCE INSURGENCY; BUT SIZE/IDEOLOGICAL COMMITMENTS DEBATABLE ISSUE. ACCORDING DIRECTOR MALAYSIAN PSYCH WARFARE, INSURGENCY LEAD BY CHINESE ACTIVISTS; ANDELMAN CALLS ANY DIRECT LINK W/PEKING "SOMEWHAT TENUOUS," THOUGH EVIDENCE GUERRILLAS DO RECEIVE GUIDANCE FROM VOICE OF THE MALAYAN REVOLUTION, BROADCASTING FROM S CHINA. CHIEF ALL MALAYSIAN POLICE/PARAMILITARY/INTELLIGENCE SAYS WHOLE BUSINESS "VERY, VERY SERIOUS INDEED": "SO THAT WE DO NOT GET A VN TYPE SITUATION HERE, WE DO NOT BLOW HOT OR COLD OVER COMMUNISM."

11. CHINA

SUN'S ISAACS, IN HK, SEES SUCCESSION OF FOUR PEKING FUNERALS IN LITTLE MORE THAN YEAR REFLECTING PASSING OF "LONG MARCH GENERATION." SAYS ASSUMED MAO WILL REMAIN UNSEEN PRESENCE UNTIL HE, TOO, DIES. SUGGESTS FACT ONLY HUA HAS BEEN APPOINTED POLITBURO STANDING CMTE MEMBER WHILE FIVE VACANCIES HAVE OCCURRED MEANS CHINESE LEADERS HAVING DIFFICULTY ARRANGING HAND POWER ON TO NEW GENERATION.

WP'S MATHEWS, IN HK, OBSERVES THAT, LITTLE NOTICED BY OUTSIDERS, PRC COUNTRYSIDE HAS BEGUN PRODUCE DOZENS NEW BOOM TOWNS, WHOSE POPULATIONS/INDUSTRIES GROWING AT PACE RIVALING THAT OF AMERICAN WEST'S OPENING. CITES RECENT PRC TRAVELERS THAT EXPLOSIVE DEVELOPMENT RAIL JUNCTION TOWNS SCATTERED ABOUT COUNTRY IS ALTERING LIVES OF MILLIONS RURAL CHINESE IN WAYS WESTERN ANALYSTS JUST BEGINNING UNDERSTAND.

MATHEWS QUOTES OF CHICAGO SOCIOLOGIST PARISH THAT WESTERN POPULATION ANALYSTS HAD EXPECTED SHIFT OF FACTORIES/PEOPLE TOWARD INLAND AREAS, AWAY FROM COMPARATIVELY DEVELOPED EAST COAST; INSTEAD, INDUSTRY MAY BE MOVING DOWN TO SMALLER CITIES WITHIN EACH PROVINCE. PARISH SAYS

SUCH DEVELOPMENT MAY ACCELERATE TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS, CITING EXAMPLE OF STREET RAILWAYS IN US WHICH, AFTER INTRODUCTION IN NY, SPREAD TO SMALLER AND SMALLER CITIES. UNCLASSIFIED

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12. TIBET

IN SECOND LHASA DISPATCH (NYT), MAXWELL DISCUSSES POTALA, TIBETAN GOD-KINGS' ANCIENT CASTLE, WHICH IS AT ONCE MAGNIFICENT/DEAD. NOTES SINCE 1961, PRC HAS LISTED IT AS HISTORICAL RELIC, AND IT IS CAREFULLY MAINTAINED. FOUND NO SIGN OF ANY DAMAGE RESULTING FROM 1959 CHINESE FIGHT WITH REBELS AT POTALA.

13. GENERAL

REUTER'S NELSON DOES ANALYSIS CARTER-FOR-REAGAN FOPOLICY PRECEPTS. RE ASIA, SAYS CARTER ADVOCATES EVENTUAL DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION PRC, WHILE MAINTAINING STRONG TRADE TIES WITH ROC. REAGAN THINKS RELS WITH PEKING SHOULD BE NORMALIZED, BUT NOT AT TAIWAN'S EXPENSE. CLAIMS FORD COMMITTED TO IMPROVING RELS WITH PRC, BUT NOT FULL DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION, "ALTHOUGH THAT SEEMS LIKELY" AFTER ELECTION. SAYS CARTER HAS CALLED IN PAST FOR WITHDRAWAL US TROOPS, NUKES, FROM SK WITHIN FIVE YEARS, BUT HAS NOT REPEATED THIS IN RECENT STATEMENTS. KISSINGER

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